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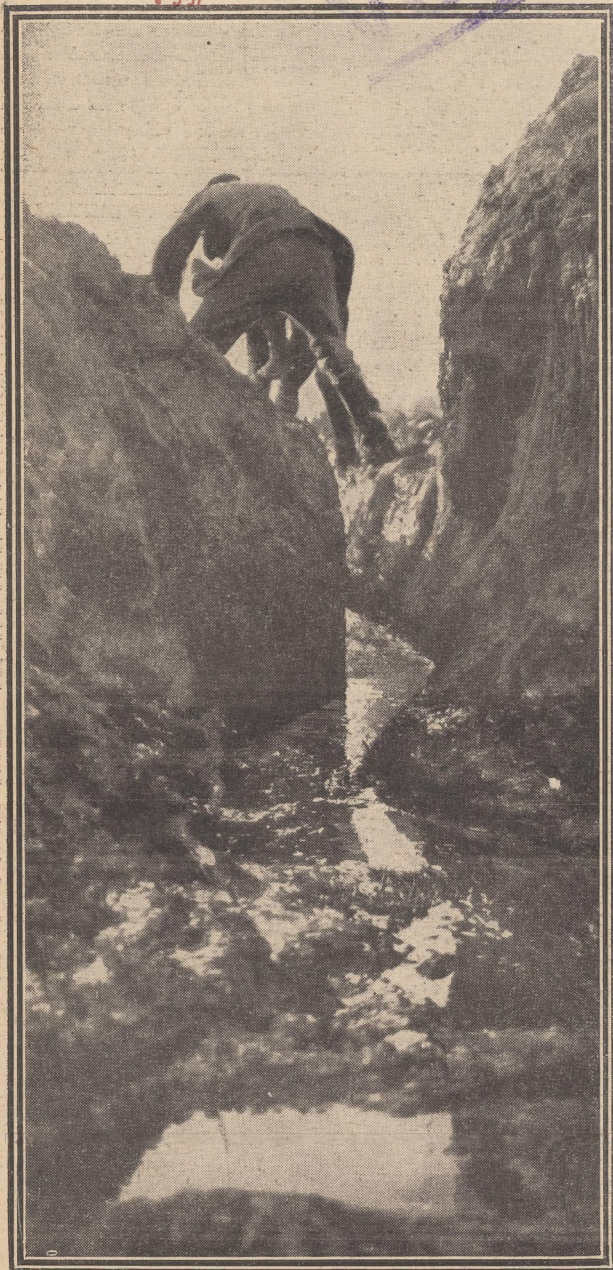
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OILY BLACK LAKES OF MUD IN OUR TRENCHES ARE WORSE THAN THE GERMANS.

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A wounded soldier being attended by a Red Cross man in a trench.

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Endeavouring to move some of the awful trench mud with a soup-ladle.

The bottom of a British trench which is filled with horrible liquid mud. The unpleasant condition of the British trenches at the front is due far more to the exceptional weather than to the nearness of the Germans. The only consolation is that the latter are in even worse plight than our soldiers are. Some of the trenches are just

lakes of oily, black mud, from out of which our troops often have to be pulled. Various devices are tried in order to drain them, but homely utensils have been the most successful so far.

ELEVEN HEROES GAIN THE V.C. Lance-Corporal Who Captured Foe's Position by Himself.

DRUMMER'S BRAVE DEEDS.

Eleven awards of the Victoria Cross to heroes at the front were announced in last night's *London Gazette*.

A drummer and four privates gain the coveted honour. Four of the gallant eleven were killed in battle.

Details of the awards:—
Lieutenant-Colonel Ernest Wright Alexander, 118th Battery, R.F.A.

For conspicuous bravery and great ability at Elouges, August 23, 1914, when the flank guard was attacked by a German corps, in handling his battery against overwhelming odds with such conspicuous success that all his guns were saved.

Later Lieutenant-Colonel Alexander (then major) rescued a wounded man under a heavy fire.

Drummer William Kenny, 2nd Battalion Gordon Highlanders.

For conspicuous bravery on October 23, near Ypres, in rescuing wounded men on five occasions under heavy fire in the most fearless manner, and for twice previously saving machine guns by carrying them out of action.

Lieutenant James Anson, 6th Brooke, 2nd Battalion, Gordon Highlanders.

For conspicuous bravery and great ability near Ghelvelot on October 23, in leading two attacks on the German trenches under heavy rifle and machine gun fire, regaining a lost trench at a very critical moment. He was killed on that day.

Captain John Franks Vallentin, 1st Battalion the South Staffordshire Regiment.

For conspicuous bravery on November 7 at Zillebeke. When leading the attack against the Germans under a very heavy fire he was struck dead, and on rising to continue the attack was immediately killed.

The capture of the enemy's trenches which followed was in a great measure due to the confidence which the men had in their captain.

Lieutenant Frank Alexander de Pass, late 34th Prince Albert Victor's Own Poonah Horse.

For conspicuous bravery near Festubert, December 24, in entering a German sap and destroying a traverse in the face of the enemy's bombs, and for subsequently rescuing, under heavy fire, a wounded man, who was lying exposed in the open.

Lieutenant de Pass lost his life on this day.

Private Henry Howard Robson, 2nd Battalion, the Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment).

For most conspicuous bravery near Kemmel on December 14, 1914, during an attack on the German position, when he left his trench, took a very heavy fire and rescued a wounded non-commissioned officer, and subsequently for making an attempt to bring a wounded man into cover, whilst exposed to a severe fire.

Private James Mackenzie, late 2nd Battalion, Scots Guards.

For conspicuous bravery at Rouges Bancs on December 19, in rescuing a severely wounded man from in front of the German trenches, under a very heavy fire, and after a stretcher-bearer party had been compelled to abandon the attempt.

Private Mackenzie was subsequently killed on that day whilst in the performance of a similar act of gallantry.

Lieutenant Philip Neame, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous bravery on December 19, near Neuve Chapelle, when, notwithstanding the very heavy rifle fire and shelling, he succeeded in holding them back and rescuing all the wounded men whom it was possible to move.

Private Abraham Acton, 2nd Battalion, the Border Regiment.

Private James Smith, 3rd Battalion, the Border Regiment.

For conspicuous bravery on December 21, at Rouges Bancs, in voluntarily going from their trench and rescuing a wounded man who had been lying exposed in front of the enemy's barbed wire.

Private James Smith was subsequently killed on that day whilst in the performance of a similar act of gallantry.

Lieutenant Michael O'Leary, 1st Battalion, Irish Guards.

For conspicuous bravery at Cunchy on February 1, 1915. When forming one of the storming parties which advanced against the enemy's trenches he rushed to the front and himself killed five Germans who were holding the first barbed wire, after which he attacked a second barbed wire about sixty yards further on, which he captured, after killing three of the enemy and making prisoners of two more.

Lance-Corporal O'Leary thus practically captured the enemy's position by himself, and prevented the rest of the attacking party from being fired upon.

CLASP FOR V.C. HERO.

The Clasp to the Victoria Cross is awarded to: Lieutenant Arthur Martin Leake, Royal Army Medical Corps, who was awarded the Victoria Cross on May 13, 1902, is granted a Clasp for conspicuous bravery in the present campaign.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty throughout the campaign, especially during the period October 29 to November 8, 1914, near Zonnebeke, in rescuing, whilst exposed to constant fire, a large number of severely wounded men lying close to the enemy's trenches.

Twelve D.S.O.'s are awarded, including the two following:—

Captain William Watson, 2nd Battalion, the Border Regiment.

For conspicuous gallantry on several occasions between October 18 and 24, 1914, in handling his machine guns under very heavy fire with great success.

Captain Felton Vesey Holt, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry and Royal Flying Corps.

For gallantry in January 22, 1915, in engaging single-handed a group of twelve German aeroplanes which were attacking the town of Dunkir.

TRUTH OR RAVINGS?

Judge's Question to Jury About "Confessions" of Major's Wife.

LETTERS FROM ASYLUM.

"Was the confession the truth or merely the ravings of a woman not accountable for what she said?"

This was a question put before the jury in the Divorce Court by Sir Samuel Evans yesterday when Major Richard B. Dutton (Wessex Territorial Engineers) was granted a decree nisi against his wife on the ground of her alleged misconduct with Mr. Doughty, a clerk, a Bristol solicitor. The charges were denied.

From 1907, petitioner said, he had to complain of his wife's manner towards men. In 1909 respondent confessed misconduct with a man.

She entered a private asylum during the same year, and while there wrote letters to petitioner



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mentioning a number of men, including the respondent, with whom she had committed misconduct.

Co-respondent's managing clerk spoke to Mrs. Dutton consulting the firm about the lease of petitioner's house.

Mrs. Dutton, he said, besides consulting him about the lease, mentioned certain charges her husband had made against her.

In summing up the Judge pointed out that the wife's confession, although evidence against herself, was not evidence against the co-respondent.

"ANGELS OF WAR."

Twenty-Four Nurses Honoured by Mention in Sir J. French's Dispatch.

Ever since the war broke out splendid work—second in importance only to that of the fighting men—has been continuously in progress and war comparatively less recognition.

That is the work of the trained nurses who have mended and tended the broken bodies committed to their care.

During times of pressure these "angels of war" are working day and night with little rest and under conditions of great difficulty and hardship.

Now the honour of mention in dispatches has been given to their labours. In Sir John French's list of those recommended for distinguished service there appear the names of twenty-four military nurses, members of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service and its Military and Civil Reserves.

Of these, Miss E. Butler, who edits the *Nursing Times*, told *The Daily Mirror* yesterday, "nineteen belong to the 'regulars' (Queen Alexandra's Imperial Nursing Service), two to the Reserve and three to the Civil Hospitals' Reserve."

"The three nurses from the civil hospitals—Sister Coulter (Manchester Royal Infirmary), Sister Kiddie (Guy's Hospital) and Sister Tulley (Edinburgh Royal Infirmary) are new to the work."

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BOY'S BURIED GOLD.

That £19 was found in his pocket and the remainder buried in a hole on Plumstead Common was stated at the London Sessions yesterday, when Sidney Guyte, fifteen, pleaded guilty to stealing £120 from his father's cash-box.

The father said his son was not a bad boy, and he wished to take him home. The boy was bound over to come up for sentence if called upon.

SHADOW SLEEVE GOWNS.

Tight Bodices and Short, Full, Pleated Skirts Now the Mode.

BLACK JET BRACELETS.

Slim and shapeless figures are banned by the new feminine fashions.

The shuttlecock shape has replaced the tube silhouette, and tight skirts have given place to wide ones. Already in Bond-street and Piccadilly the tight skirt is quite out of date.

The "shuttlecock" effect is the more pronounced because the dresses are quite short and clear the feet and ankles.

At present the most noticeable shuttlecock costume, with full skirt and tight little coat or bodice, is a dress of navy blue serge or cloth which almost every woman is wearing.

The shuttlecock effect is also shown by the fact that the waist is not curved at all, but consists of a broad band between the tight top and the wide flounced skirt.

Flounces and pleats are the features of day and evening gowns alike.

A navy costume seen in the West End had a full pleated tunic skirt, under which appeared two deep flounces of black glacé silk.

Evening gowns have flounced and bunched up skirts of the most filmy and dainty materials, and under-petticoats are no longer necessary.

The bodices are as light and airy as though a puff of wind would blow them away, and in many cases they are sleeveless.

Where there are sleeves they might almost be described as "shadow" sleeves, for they resemble plain shadows of transparent tulle reaching to the wrists.

A curious note was seen in the finish of a pair of black chiffon shadow sleeves, which fell almost beyond the wrists, the finish consisting of a pair of old black jet bracelets stitched around the hem of the sleeves.

NECKLACE IN THE CASE.

Court Story of Former Socialist Candidate and His Wife's Jewels.

A remarkable series of transactions between a former parliamentary candidate in the Socialist interest and a firm of West End jewellers was detailed before Mr. Justice Darling and a special jury in the King's Bench Division yesterday.

Messrs. Wilson and Gill, jewellers, of Oxford-street, claimed £302 from Messrs. Henry Douglas and Co., wholesale dressmakers, of Wells-street, as principal and interest due upon a dishonoured bill of exchange, of which the defendants were alleged to be the acceptors. The defence denied liability.

Mr. Ernest Wild, K.C., for the plaintiffs, said the firm of Douglas and Co. consisted mainly of two persons—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hease. The bill of exchange, on which the plaintiffs' claim was based was dated June 15, 1914, and payable 126 days after date.

It was signed by Mr. Charles Hease, brother of Mr. Henry Hease, and directed to Douglas and Co. The plaintiffs sued as holders for value.

Last March, said counsel, Mr. Charles Hease bought a diamond ring for his wife from the plaintiffs worth £155, which was duly paid for. Later she wanted other jewellery and selected a pearl necklace priced £850. It was in connection with this article that the bill was subsequently given.

Before the time came for the necklace to be paid for Mrs. Charles Hease chose a diamond ring in their duty and he had the ring valued for 10 guineas. In May she was lent a diamond necklace. She wanted to wear it at some function.

At the time it was pawned at Messrs. Attenborough's for £450. A cheque for £400 which was paid in part payment for the ring. The plaintiffs sued and the next day continued Mr. Wild, she called and paid the plaintiffs £200 in notes on that account. Subsequently she said she had given her husband money to pay them, but he did not do so.

With reference to the £350 necklace, counsel said such a thing would be worthy of an M.P.'s wife, but the witness said Mrs. Charles Hease spoke of it as "the wretched thing."

The hearing was adjourned.

"ADMIRAL" DE WET'S DREAM FLEET.

Remarkable evidence was given in the trial of De Wet, which was resumed, says Reuter, at Bloemfontein on Wednesday.

Mr. Steyn said that De Wet in a speech to his burghers said that the Germans had always been their friends, and that there was an understanding between Maritz and the German Government that when a Republic was established the Germans would acknowledge its independence.

They would only have to cede Walvis Bay to the Germans. That was a pity, "because," said De Wet, "it is a very important and very useful when we have our own fleet."

—Reuter.

RICH M.P.'S "ALLOWANCES."

The dependents of Sir Herbert Raphael, M.P., who has enlisted as a private in the Sportsman's Battalion, said Mr. Ronald McNeill in the House of Commons yesterday when speaking on the subject of separation allowances, were passed for the allowances within a week of Sir Herbert's enlistment.

Sir Herbert Raphael, it may be observed, is one of the richest members of the House of Commons.

The Avon has risen 9ft. above normal level. Thousands of acres are submerged, and in Bath many houses are inundated.

SHOT FLYING HUNS AT POINT BLANK.

Brave British Soldier Who Tackled Machine Gun Alone.

SHOVEL'S DEADLY WORK.

That the British soldier can find other uses for a shovel than the digging of trenches is shown by an incident in "Eye-Witness's" latest narrative.

Describing the recent fighting among the brickfields near La Bassée, he says:—

"Four Germans were killed by one of our men who was armed only with a shovel as they were trying to escape past him to a trench."

During the battle, "Eye-Witness," one of our men showed conspicuous gallantry.

"Charging ahead of his comrades, he took up his position on a mound, and shot several of the fleeing Germans at point-blank range as they ran past him."

"He then ran on up to a barricade, where two of the enemy were manning a machine gun, and kept them in play until the rest of our men came up and captured it."

To his narrative "Eye-Witness" appends several letters found on prisoners, which show that in spite of all bluster and bluff the food problem in Germany is a most menacing ominous fears in the hearts of the people.

DROPPED BOX OF GRENADES.

After describing the loss and subsequent capture of several British trenches, "Eye-Witness" proceeds to relate the following incident.

Some further details of the recent fighting in the La Bassée area are now available.

It will be remembered that on February 1 we gained by successive attacks two posts on the canal bank.

In the first rush on the nearest work one of those unforeseen but dramatic incidents occurred, which often imperil even the best laid schemes.

As the storming party came up, and, passing through forward, just at the moment when delay might have been fatal, for it might just have given the enemy, who were much shaken by our artillery fire, time to recover, a man dropped a box of hand grenades, some of which detonated.

For one instant there was bewilderment and some hesitation, no one quite knowing what had happened.

KEPT ON THE RUN.

Fortunately the officer who was leading the storming party rushed ahead, and his men followed him and carried the enemy's position at the point of the bayonet with very slight loss.

After this the Germans were kept on the run. Our supports came up, and, passing through the first line holding the recovered trench, rushed the next post; then the party which had made the original assault advanced through these again and captured the second post.

Amongst the spoils of war captured were a large amount of dum-dum ammunition and many cartridges in which the bullets had been reversed, with their bases outwards.

In this quarter of the infantry have gained an ascendancy over the enemy which was well shown in the next series of encounters which took place among the brick stacks on the 6th.

OUR INFANTRY ON TOP.

During the bombardment previous to the assault the Germans took refuge underground in their dug-outs, and the attack was so well timed and so sudden that when they emerged from their burrows they found our infantry on top of them.

The result was never in doubt. Those who showed fight were at once bayoneted, but many recognising the hopelessness of resistance, threw away their arms and surrendered, some crying for mercy and offering their watches, money, cigars or food in order to save their lives.

It is stated that when charging forward in this attack our stormers maintained their dressing almost as if on parade.

The following letters found on prisoners show what the war means to the poor in Germany:—

"3/1/15. Everything has risen and is frightfully expensive. The rearing of live stock is very difficult, as people have been forced to declare all their stock as surplus, and the price of food and other cereals. . . . We are organising ourselves for a long war. . . . But it is not over by the spring and winter."

"12/1/15. Here in Germany it is just as if there were a famine. . . . Food is fearfully dear, in the lack of hands making itself very much felt."

The repeated reference to the rise in prices and the scarcity of food stuffs is significant, for it is a feature which has only recently made its appearance.

DAMAGES FOR ACQUITTED MAN.

Damages for malicious prosecution and false imprisonment amounting to £176 were awarded at the London Sheriff's Court yesterday to Mr. T. C. Conolly, at-one time proprietor of the *Dulwich Post*, in a claim he brought against Mr. Thomas Mills, a Peckham builder.

Counsel explained that Mills, in a claim he made, obtained judgment against Conolly without the latter being in court. He had entered an appearance against the writ, but did not know that his next step should have been to enter a defence.

Hearing was held for four years. Conolly assumed that Mills had abandoned his action. But after a libel action against him had been heard (to meet the cost of which he sold his newspaper) he was summoned for perjury. The jury acquitted him at the Old Bailey.

'BUSINESS AS USUAL' ON FIRST DAY OF GERMANY'S PAPER BLOCKADE

Merchant Ships and Liners Indifferent to Menace of Submarines.

SEA HUNS' CURT NOTE TO AMERICA.

Navy Minister Says U.S. Warships Will Not Convooy Merchantmen.

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN WRECK OFF DENMARK.

Yesterday was the first day of the German "paper" blockade of Britain.

"Business as usual" was the motto everywhere in shipping circles. Ships left and entered our ports as usual. Great liners berthed as usual. Nowhere was there the slightest sign of fear of German frigates.

Danish steamers with food cargoes left for England. It was "business as usual" even in Denmark.

Striking evidence of this confidence felt everywhere was shown by the fact that the insurance rates for ships at Lloyd's did not rise a farthing.

"The Day" was marked by the issue of Germany's reply to the United States Note. It is a long, argumentative and even sharp reply, in which all the blame is put on Britain.

It makes the cool suggestion that the United States should convoy its merchant ships through the war zone.

To this Mr. Daniels, the United States Navy Secretary, makes the reply, according to a Central News Washington telegram, that no warships will be sent to convoy American merchantmen.

The Note says: "Germany, after six months' patient waiting, sees herself obliged to answer Great Britain's murderous method of naval warfare with sharp counter measures.

"If Great Britain summons hunger as an ally for the purpose of imposing upon civilised people of seventy millions the choice between destitution and starvation or submission to Great Britain's commercial will, then Germany to-day is determined to take up the gauntlet and appeal to similar allies.

SHIPPERS' CONTEMPT FOR THE BLOCKHEADS.

Underwriters Will "Wait and See" Before Increasing Insurance.

German expectations that the threatened blockading of the British Isles would throw the shipping world into a state of panic have proved a grotesque miscalculation.

With such contempt was the threat received that insurance rates at Lloyd's yesterday did not increase an extra farthing.

"Business as usual" was the motto at Liverpool, and traffic in the Mersey seemed greater than ever.

A North-East Coast shipping official holding an important position declared yesterday that navigation in the North Sea is safer now than it has ever been since the war broke out.

In the English Channel throughout the day vessels were passing up and down, there being no diminution in the amount of British shipping, and several neutral vessels passed Dover.

Ten Danish steamers sailed for England, most of them carrying breakfast commodities, says an Exchange Telegraph Company's message from Copenhagen.

The Zuyderdyk and the Richard, of the Holland-America Line, left Rotterdam, and the Dutch steamers Caledonia and Bestvaer left for England, says a Reuter message.

NO INCREASES AT LLOYD'S.

"We are going on just as usual," an underwriter at Lloyd's told *The Daily Mirror* yesterday.

The fact that we have not increased our insurance rate is the best answer we can make to the German threat.

It may conceivably be necessary to revise our attitude, but meanwhile we are quite content to 'wait and see' what happens.

While war insurance rates for ships and cargo have exhibited no upward tendency for a week past, rates applicable to individual risks are also low.

Passengers proposing to cross the Atlantic from Liverpool to New York and return within a month from date are being insured at the rate of 4 per cent.

Thus a £500 insurance for the double journey is covered by a premium of £2 10s. Even in the immediate "danger zone" of the North Sea the premium for passengers is only 1 per cent.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—The German "blockade" has no effect whatever on Danish shipping.

Thursday is the busiest sailing day from Copenhagen, and all the regular steamers for England left as usual.

All the ships had the Danish flag and the name "Denmark" painted on their sides. No trouble was experienced with any of the crews.

The Scandinavian-American liner United States sailed for New York at her appointed time. There was no sign of nervousness among her 400 passengers, although the vessel will follow her usual course and will cross the German war zone.—Central News.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER MINED.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—The Norwegian steamer Nordcap struck a German mine in the Baltic and foundered, all the crew being drowned.—Exchange Special.

TO PUT RING OF MINES ROUND BRITAIN.

All Trade to Britain Threatened with Danger Without Distinction.

The American Ambassador at Berlin, says a Reuter message from Amsterdam, has received Germany's reply to the American Note.

Among the points of the reply are these:—

Germany's submarine warfare is a defence of her vital interests against English methods of naval warfare, which is an international law.

Germany has scrupulously observed international rules of naval warfare.

England has not hesitated to infringe such rules in order to paralyse German commerce with neutrals.

This has been done to cut off all supplies from Germany, and thus starve her peaceful civil population, a procedure contrary to all humanity.

Germany is as good as cut off from her overseas supply by the silent or protesting toleration of neutrals.

Britain is not only supplied with conditional contraband goods, but with goods, regarded by Britain, if sent to Germany, as absolute contraband.

MINED WAR ZONE.

The Note goes on to explain Germany's method of blockade.

Germany, as far as possible, will seek to close the war zone it proclaimed with mines, and will also endeavour to destroy hostile merchant vessels in every other way.

While the German Government keeps itself far removed from all intentional destruction of neutral lives and property, it, on the other hand, does not fail to recognise that from the action to be taken against Great Britain dangers arise which threaten all trade within the war zone without distinction.

This is the natural result of mine warfare, which, even under the strictest observance of the limits of international law, endangers every ship approaching the mine area.

Neutral vessels which enter the closed waters will themselves bear responsibility for any unfortunate accidents that may occur. The German Government declines all responsibility for such accidents and their consequences.

After stating that it will be presumed that all neutral ships have contraband on board, the German Note recommends the United States to make their ships, which are conveying peaceful cargo through the British war zone, discernible by means of convoys.

BENEFITS FOR MERCHANT SEAMEN.

The President of the Board of Trade made the following announcement last night:—

Under the War Risks Scheme the Government have decided to extend to such British crews of British merchant vessels as may lose life or limb owing to attacks by an enemy warship, submarine or aircraft the same scale of benefits as would be payable to the men or dependents of men of similar rank in the Royal Navy.

These will take the place of the lesser payments receivable under the Workmen's Compensation Act for the amount of which the shipowner will continue to be liable, the additional sum necessary to provide the naval scale of benefits for merchant seamen being provided from the War Risks Insurance Fund.

MYSTERY OF ZEPPELINS WRECKED ON COAST.

Another Airship Reported Destroyed Off Jutland—Descent in a Snowstorm.

Great activity is being shown by German Zeppelins patrolling the North Sea outside Danish waters.

Again they have proved themselves fair-weather craft.

One airship, the L.3, has been totally destroyed on Fanø Island, and yesterday brought news of the wreck of another Zeppelin near Blaavand, on the west coast of Jutland, while mystery surrounds the fate of a third.

The following telegrams give the story of the Zeppelins' adventures:—

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A message from Esbjerg to-day says that another Zeppelin was wrecked off the west coast of Jutland. Eleven of the crew were saved and four drowned.—Exchange Special.

Eleven Germans who appeared at the Blaavand coastguard station, West Jutland, at first tried to make out, says a Reuter telegram, that they were the crew of a trawler blown up by a mine, and that they had reached the coast in a boat.

No one believed them as no boat had been seen and the men's dress showed they were not fishermen.

One man had both his legs broken, and he told the doctor that he was a sergeant and that four of his comrades were dead.

Confronted by the local magistrate, the men acknowledged that they were the crew of a Zeppelin which could not hold its own in the bad weather.

THIRD ZEPPELIN IN TROUBLE?

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—A Zeppelin, carrying eleven men, landed on the Danish west coast at Baresse, near Varde, owing to a snowstorm.

It is not known whether she will be able to return before the twenty-four hours' limit expires. The whole of the Zeppelin fleet seems to be patrolling the North Sea just outside Danish waters, and Zeppelin No. 2 is in command.—Exchange Special.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 18.—A telegram from Berlin states that the airship L.3, while on a reconnaissance voyage, descended during a storm owing to a defect of its motor on the west coast of Jutland. The airship has been lost, but the crew were saved.—Reuter.

WHY WRECKED AIRSHIP WAS BURNED.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 18.—It is now stated in explanation of the report that the Zeppelin which stranded on the beach at Fanø was set on fire by its crew, that the commander of the airship acted thus in accordance with a general order of the German Admiralty, that every German airship which strands on foreign soil shall immediately be destroyed by explosion, so that no secrets of its construction be discovered by foreigners.—Central News.

"ALL-HIGHEST" EXULTS.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 18.—An official telegram from Berlin states that the Kaiser has sent a telegram to the Imperial Chancellor about the Masurian Lake battle.

The Kaiser points out how, under his own eyes, the new levies proved equal in excellence to the old troops. His Majesty added:—

From the Landsturm man to the youngest volunteer all strove in emulation to do their best for the Fatherland. Neither bitter cold, nor deep snow, neither impenetrable roads nor the tenacity of the enemy succeeded in impeding their victorious course. Our losses are fortunately small.

The Kaiser concludes:—

My joy over this glorious success is diminished by the sight of the district, once so flourishing, which for weeks has been in the enemy's hand.

Void of all human feeling he has, in his senseless rage, during his flight burnt or destroyed almost the last house and the last barn. Our beautiful Masurian land is waste.

Irrecoverable has been the loss, but I know I am in agreement with every German when I vow that everything in human power will be done to cause new and fresh life to rise from the ruins.—Reuter.

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ALLIES GIVING ENEMY HARD KNOCKS.

"To-day Has Been No Less Favourable to Us Than the Two Previous Days."

BIG HAUL OF MEN AND GUNS.

The Allies have been giving the Germans some hard knocks.

For the third day in succession the enemy has fared very badly along the whole front, having lost positions, guns and men.

Even the Germans themselves have to admit a setback. They say that they evacuated a village. In reality, as the French official statement puts it, they "were driven from it."

ALL FOE'S ATTACKS FAIL

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The communiqué issued this evening says:—

To-day has been no less favourable to us than the two previous days.

From the sea to the Aisne.—The day was marked by artillery engagements.

The Germans, however, near Rocquencourt, counter-attacked five times in order to retake the trenches which we captured from them yesterday. They were repulsed.

Several hundred corpses were left behind.

In Champagne.—In the region of Souain-Perthes-Beaunejour the enemy delivered at first during the night of the 17th-18th, and then, during the morning of the 18th, two very violent counter-attacks all along the front, in order to recover the trenches lost by him.

These two counter-attacks were completely repulsed.

Our troops drove back their assailants with the bayonet and maintained their gains. We captured three machine guns and several hundred prisoners.

According to statements made by the latter, the German regiments engaged suffered very high losses.

"EXPULSION, NOT EVACUATION."

On the heights of the Meuse.—At the Eparges we retained the ground won on the 17th, notwithstanding a counter-attack.

In Lorraine.—In the region of Xon we delivered an attack which enabled us to capture the village of Norroy and to occupy the whole of the position.

It is untrue that the Germans, as stated in their communiqué, evacuated Norroy. They were driven from it.

In Alsace.—Supplementary details show that the Piton south of the Sudelle farm, captured by us on Wednesday, constituted a formidable organised redoubt.

In it we took a trench mortar, five machine guns, hundreds of rifles, shields, bombs and utensils, a barbed-wire entanglement, telephone apparatus, thousands of cartridges and sacks of earth.

LUCKY STROKE HITS Foe HARD.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—This afternoon's communiqué says:—

From the sea to the Oise: There is nothing fresh to report during the night.

It is confirmed that the lucky coup-de-main which made us masters of two lines of German trenches north of Arras (north-west of Rocquencourt) inflicted serious losses on the enemy.

In the valley of the Aisne and in the sector of Rheims: There was artillery fighting, in which our batteries assumed a clear advantage.

In Champagne, in the region of Perthes: All the ground taken yesterday and the day before was retained.

In the Argonne: We also maintained our gains in the Bois de la Grurie, south of the Fontaineaux Charnes.

Our success between the Argonne and the Meuse reported in yesterday evening's communiqué made us masters of a wood south of the Bois de Cheppy.

We also won a depth of 440 yards north of Malancourt and about as much south of the Bois de Forges. All these gains were maintained.—Reuter.

FIERCE POLAND STRUGGLE

PETROGRAD, Feb. 18.—A dispatch from the Headquarters Staff of the Commander-in-Chief says:—

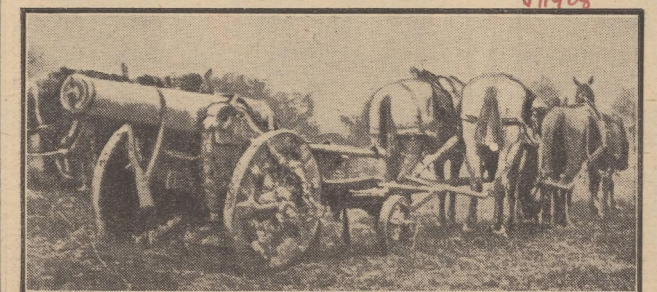
Fighting on the front between the Niemen and the Vistula continued on the 17th, and reached the maximum of stubbornness in the Augustovo region as well as on the Serpe-Ploonsk roads.

In the Carpathians we repulsed a series of obstinate Austrian attacks on the front Svidnik to the high regions of Koziomoka, Takhila, Senetchou, Wyschok and Klausse.

We delivered several counter-attacks which were crowned with success.

In the Bukovina our detachments fell back beyond the Pruth.—Reuter.

A telegram from Berlin, says Reuter, states that the chief president of the province of East Prussia at Königsberg has received the following telegram from the Kaiser: "Russians completely beaten. Our beloved East Prussia free from the enemy."



The mud adds greatly to the work of the horses during war time. The wheels of this gun-carriage, it will be seen, are thickly caked, and a team of six animals was necessary to draw it.

PUNJAB CHIEFS AND THE WATERLOO CUP.



Novel motor-bonnet worn over turban.



Mr. Thomas Harte's Full Speed having his feet washed.



Mr. W. H. Green's School winning easily against Cartoon. The rival dog unfortunately fell in a ditch.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)

The feature of the great national race for the Waterloo Cup at Altcar this year has been the number of fancied dogs that have been defeated. The Indian officers who came over from France have thoroughly enjoyed the sport. Some of their costumes to protect themselves against the weather are weird.

BURSTING SHELL.



What a 12in. shell looks like when it bursts. It obscures everything in the neighbourhood for some time and fills the air with noxious fumes. It was fired by a German war vessel in the Baltic Sea.

BRAVE AIRWOMAN.



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Shadow.—P.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1915.

THE SEA ADVENTURE.

WRITERS OF ROMANCES for boys, when they took ships and invoke the spirit of the sea, have found themselves forced to go back to smuggling days of a century ago, or else to the period of pirates and early voyages in adventurous single vessels—

We were the first that ever burst
Into that silent sea

—unless, indeed, “we” found a Spaniard or two there before us. What English boy has not some memory of the days from Marryat to “Treasure Island” to comfort him? But all these books relate, for obvious reasons, to a time before the twentieth century.

And grown-ups also who want occasional free breezes, in the days of a more or less downtrodden ocean, haunted by incessant wireless messages, must go to old travels—to Purchas in his rich folios, or to lesser collections. Until lately, at least, it was so. But for a month or two, behold, we foresee a renewal of that so ancient English sea adventure, and we owe this re-inspiration, this revival of sea romance, to our German friends, the enemy. Once more, after years of a tolerable quietness, does the British mercantile marine see before it prospect of a little private adventure. It will have some dodging to do. It will have to look lively at other matters than those meteoric. It will be a chance for tough seamen to renew their youth. It will be better than Conrad—less realistic. Captain Marryat's counterpart is expected to be the chronicler of these doings.

Daring and endurance are a tradition amongst our trading men at sea, as they are with the Navy. At the very beginning of the war these traders showed that they were by no means to be put off by such an interruption as a European convulsion accompanied by submarines. We heard of a little fishing vessel warned, for example, to hug the coast in case of accidents. The captain waited till well out of the way of the cautioners and then took his fish as usual. He really “couldn't be bothered about a war” and his nonchalance was typical of his tribe; though, being accompanied by knowledge and wakefulness, it did not deserve to be condemned as foolhardy. In that spirit, with a certain zest of adventure added, will our merchantmen enter upon what look like being, at sea, the most exciting weeks of the war.

And perhaps, though without much “book-learning,” they may find a satisfaction in seeing how strange and how dramatic is this repetition, after a hundred years, of the trials and triumphs of their forefathers who were faced by the same problems and perils as they. We think that memory lives longer on the sea than on the land, that unwritten records of great doings more readily pass from man to man in families that frequent those great waters. So now the sense that they are living up to a high adventure will be an added inspiration to our seamen. Our friend the enemy has no such tradition at his back. W. M.

IN MY GARDEN.

FEB. 13.—The Algerian iris (stylisa) is a beautiful and precious species that sends up its mauve flowers during the winter months. It must be set close to a sunny south wall, and does best in very poor soil.

The netted iris (reticulata) is one of our loveliest hardy flowers, and were it only longer lived it would be seen in all gardens. To-day the blossoms (claret-purple, blotched with golden-yellow) are beginning to open. These bulbs are especially useful for growing in pots indoors. E. F. T.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

There is no time to parley. There is a large crop, and it is ripe. We must not say: Let us wait for the harvest. The crop is ripe, and it is perishing. We need the workers, the reapers, immediately—hearty ones, without much talk.—Tolstoi.

LOOKING THROUGH “THE MIRROR.”

THIS YEAR'S LENT.

I SHOULD think that we have enough to worry us this year without troubling about Lenten penances. To my mind the penance idea is all wrong. True repentance for our misdeeds should come from a contrite spirit, but the mere missing of a few meals or giving up smoking for a month is far more likely to irritate us than make us repentant. PENANCE.

THE COMING CREED.

SOME of the statements “K. C.” makes are amusing. It is true the Established Church has now no connections with the Lutheran Church, but at the time of the Reformation, during the pontifi-

Scriptural prophecies. Really, this is the last straw, and I feel obliged to attempt a stand against this sort of nonsense!

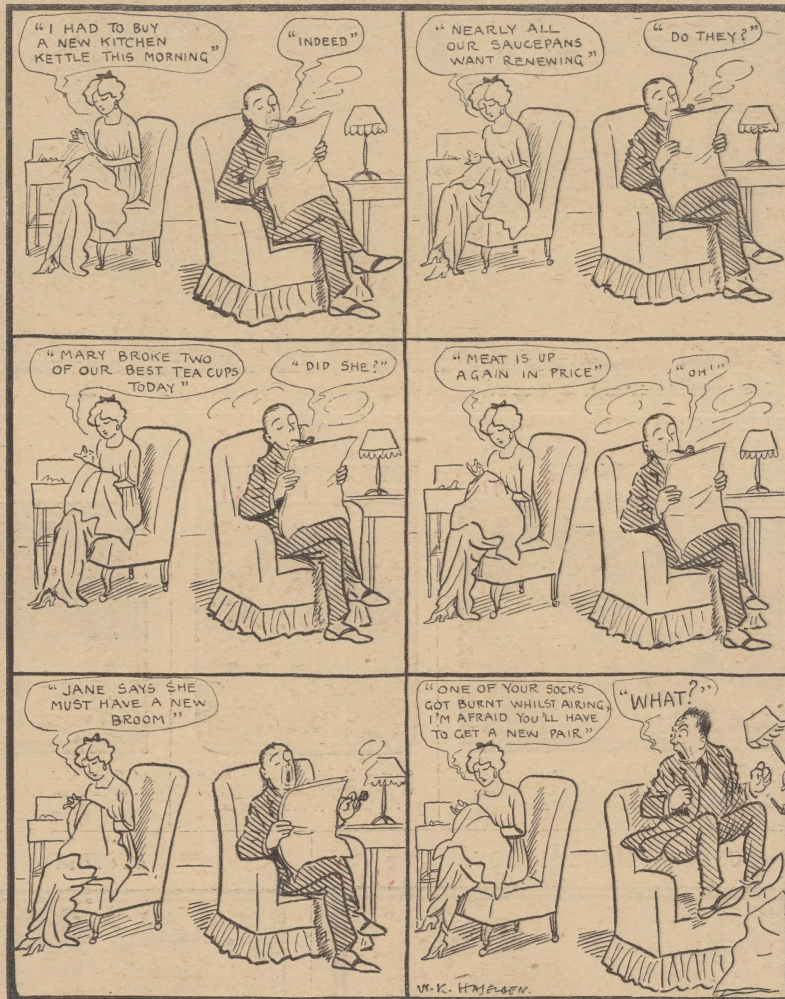
The only prophecy possible to man is that of elevated a priori reasoning, and because in man's life free will is an active element the most “inspired prophet” may sometimes be hopelessly at sea.

The prophecies of the Bible are only prophecies of the kind indicated, and should not be stretched to take in events they could not possibly have foretold. C. D.

“TERRIERS” AT THE FRONT.

IT WAS with the greatest pleasure that the Territorials read of Sir John French's generous tribute to their work in his latest dispatch from

HOW TO STIR HIM UP ABOUT EXPENSES.



Undoubtedly many housewives think they ought to have more money for housekeeping now that the prices of certain necessities are higher. But the British husband won't listen to talk about expenses unless they come out of his own private purse. The only way to wake him up is to tell him about something that he will have to pay for himself.—(By Mr. W. K. Haselden. Reprint.)

cate of Cramer, the teaching of the various Lutheran divines had a great deal to do with the Church of England—e.g., Cramer's Protestant views concerning the Holy Eucharist were distinctly Lutheran. R. L. H.

“THE GIFT OF PROPHECY.”

IN THE COURSE of my work I have to mix with many people of avowedly mystical propensities. Until the war began I considered this a privilege, but lately I have been exasperated beyond measure by many of these people.

Dreams, years old, in which warnings of the war figured, miracles of “second sight,” solving the progress of it all, visitations of departed spirits seeking to reveal the after-life of specific souls among our “honourably dead,” and countless other psychical revelations have been shovelled upon me until I wonder what room is left for any discretion on the part of our leaders or anybody else. And now I am told that an eminent mathematical and clairvoyant has written a wonderful book showing that the war will end so as to accord with

the front. The organisation of the Territorial Force may differ in many ways from that of Kitchener's Army, but both are doing similar excellent training now, and the keen volunteer spirit of old is very apparent in both branches of the new army.

Such good work as that already performed by the “Terriers” at the front will, I am sure, be fully maintained by those of the same body now completing their training. IN TRAINING.

WINTER HEAVENS.

Sharp is the night, but stars with frost alive Leap o'er the rim of earth across the dome. It is a night to make the heavens our home. More than the nest whereto apace we strive, Lengths down our road each dry-tree seems a hive, In swarms outstriking from the golden comb, They waken waves of thoughts that burst to foam: The living throb in me, the dead revive. You mantle clothes us; there, past mortal breath, Life glissens on the river of the dead. It folds us flesh and dust; and have we knelt, Or never knelt, or eyed as kine the springs Of radiance, the radiance enrings: And this is the soul's haven to have felt.—GEORGE MEREDITH.

WHAT TO SAVE.

Hints About Economy in a Time of High Prices.

A MEAL TO ABOLISH.

I RECOGNISE in the letter of “Housewife” the very typical outcry of the average selfish person. There is a hard time before many of us. We must save somehow. And how does “Housewife” propose to do it? By dismissing a servant.

Let me suggest an alternative. Let “Housewife” reduce or suppress that tea over which she and her kind seem inclined to make so much fuss. Tea is here in England supposed to be a necessary meal. Foreign nations don't think so! I never had it during a long residence in France. All this tea and milk and butter and bread and cake does not form an essential part of the good French housewife's daily budget. She does without it. Why cannot we do the same. Let us begin and try this Lent. In time tea will come to seem to all of us quite unnecessary, and here will be a useful economy for war time—much better than sending away a servant. ANOTHER HOUSEWIFE. Warwick-square, S.W.

THE MODEL HOUSEWIFE.

“HOUSEWIFE” advises us to dismiss a servant. That sets us wondering whether we do not have far too many servants in England.

I am supposing, of course, that “Housewife” is of the middle classes. In those classes I am afraid the wife does far too little work in the house.

Staying in Germany, some years before this, I found that the hausfrau went round the bedrooms in the morning and helped her little maid to do the beds. She also frequently lent a hand at the cooking and drew up a list of things for her cook to get at the market. The idea of running up “books” and tradesmen's weekly bills was unknown to her. She was on her feet all the morning, but in the evening and late afternoon seemed always to have plenty of time for a chat or for her needlework. She kept two servants for a family of seven.

We are at war with the Germans. But occasionally I think we could learn a little from them.

N. S. Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh.

A SCARCITY OF HUSBANDS.

CONSIDERING what men are doing for women during the present crisis to save them from the awful atrocities the womenfolk of some of our Allies had to endure, it is not inconsistent, and, to say the least of it, unwomanly to argue as to the best way to manage a husband, either good or bad tempered!

After the toll in men's lives has been paid, hundreds of these silly, argumentative women will realise they will not have a chance to “manage” men either as husbands, brothers or sweethearts, for reasons that are obvious. The silly flapper of eighteen who airs her views need not worry herself as to the qualities a man must possess to win her, as thousands of women will be unable to secure a husband with either good or bad qualities, and the few men that will be left after the war will have no difficulty in finding sensible women to share their loneliness, worrying themselves about such women as “Eighteen,” whose silliness is only equalled by her conceit.

A few more years' experience of the world will teach her and others that it will be a waste of beggars not being able to be choosers as regards securing husbands, and so far as the few men that will be left are concerned, they will be at liberty to enjoy their own lives, and to earn their own living, which will be better employment for them than airing their silliness in the abuse of men who are giving their lives ungrudgingly for them.

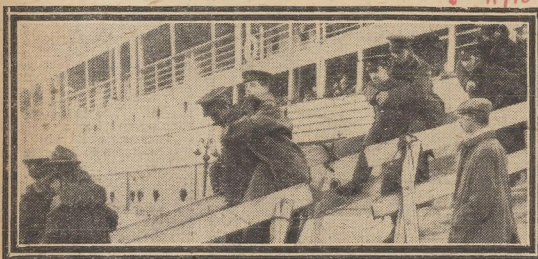
This is no time to “run down” men. Southsea. GEORGE MABER.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR AT OPEN-AIR SERVICE. P. 127

The aged Emperor Francis Joseph of ill-fated Austria made his most recent public appearance at an open-air service that was held in memory of the Austrians who had fallen in the war. Despite the cold, and despite the fact that he is nearly always ailing, he said this time "I will be with my troops." His public appearances have been very rare of late.

SERBIAN PRINCESS P. 410 F

Princess Alexis Karageorgevitch, who has just arrived in London with her husband, is raising funds for the Serbian Red Cross.

WOUNDED AT DUBLIN. G. 11910 X

Soldiers, both wounded and sick from the base hospital at Havre, being carried pick-a-back down the gangway of the hospital ship Carisbrooke Castle, which is lying alongside the quay at North Wall.

BOY'S ADVENTURES. P. 17021

George Harris, who ran away to Antwerp, where he fell into the hands of the Germans.

ALLIES DINE TOGETHER. G. 11909 A

Officers of the Allied Armies at dinner together not far from the firing line in France. They were a happy party, for the British and French "hit it off" admirably.

BRITISH GUNNERS MAKE READY. G. 11911 B

British gunners placing two machine guns in the corner of a line of reserve trenches which are being constructed in Flanders. The men work cheerfully when they are right up to their shoulders in mud.

AUSTRIAN PRISONERS AT MALTA. G. 11909

Austrian prisoner in hospital in Malta. Natives, who watch over the men as a cat watches a mouse, form the guards. Note the mosquito nets at the far end of the ward. — (Daily Mirror photograph.)

TWELVE TO ONE.

P. 6203



ain Felton Vesey Holt (Royal Flying Corps) has been awarded the D.S.O. Singlehanded engaged a group of twelve German aeroplanes in making an attack on the town of Dunkirk with bombs.

GERMANS BURN THEIR OWN WOUNDED.

G. 11911 J



All the German atrocities are not committed against their enemies. After an engagement in which they were compelled to retreat they threw all their dead into this house and then set it alight, despite the fact that a number of their own wounded soldiers were within. It is difficult to imagine a more brutal or callous act.

MIER.

UHLANS IN POLAND.

G. 423 B



A Uhlan patrol reconnoitring in Poland, where the Germans have been making such desperate efforts to batter a way through to Warsaw.

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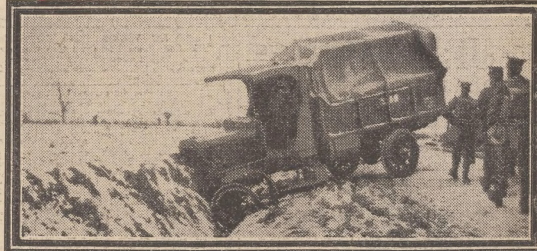
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Sister V. N. Kiddle, of Guy's Hospital, one of the nurses mentioned in dispatches.

STUCK IN A DITCH.

G. 11908 N



A British Army Service Corps motor-wagon which left the road in France. As a result "Tommy" found that some of his food arrived late on that particular day.

WAR IN THE SNOWCLAD CARPATHIANS.

G. 428 B



member of a cavalry patrol in the Carpathian Mountains. The picture gives a very good idea of the conditions prevailing in the eastern theatre of war, where the Russians and Austrians are at grips.

GERMANS' COMFORTABLE "DUG OUT."

G. 423 S



The German officers love their creature comforts, and take good care that they have everything they want even in war-time. It will be seen from the picture that this group has made their "dug-out" very snug and cosy.

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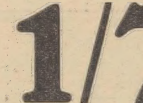
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CHARACTERS IN THE STORY.

JEAN DELAVAL, a charming, clear-headed, sincere girl of twenty-four.

LIONEL CRAVEN, a straightforward young Englishman of twenty-eight.

ASHLEY CRESWICK, his half-brother. He is a moneylender.

FAY CRESWICK, Ashley's wife. A shrewd, hard scheming woman.

DEREK TRENCH, Lionel Craven's friend and partner.

LIONEL CRAVEN, on board a liner coming over from South Africa, is day-dreaming about a girl on board who interests him profoundly.

His day-dreams are interrupted by Derek Trench. "I've found out all about her," he says excitedly. "Her name is Jean Delaval. She is a governess to the Hopeskins and has refused an offer of marriage from young Hopeskin, who is her millionnaire."

Lionel Craven tells Derek that he has fallen wholeheartedly in love with the girl. Derek Trench contrives to introduce them.

Lionel eventually convinces Jean Delaval of his sincerity. One night he asks Jean Delaval to marry him. He pleads passionately. But that girl, who knows that in him she has met the man amongst all men for her, finally consents.

They are forced to say good-bye to each other at Southampton for a time.

Lionel goes straight to Ashley Cresswick in Kensington to borrow \$5,000 from him for business purposes, but meets with a rebuff.

Ashley Cresswick confesses to his wife that he has rebuffed Lionel of the country again. He adds that the only one who knows about the will is a bedridden old man named Delaval, who has a daughter named Jean.

As they are talking Miss Delaval calls to see Mr. Cresswick. The situation is a critical one, but by clever maneuvering Fay gets Lionel into another room. She learns from him with a shock that he is engaged to a Miss Jean Delaval.

In a heated interview with Cresswick Jean promises to pay off her father's debt in a month.

One day when Fay is out a man speaks to her. To her horror, she recognises her first husband, Paul Schroder, whom she thought dead. He leaves her with a threat.

Frightened as she is, she does not forget that she must get Lionel out of the country, and so she tells him that Jean has returned to South Africa. He has booked a passage back when he suddenly meets Jean. She tells him, amongst other things, that it is quite untrue about her ever wanting to go back to South Africa.

Trench finds out that the Cresswicks are playing a double game, and tells Lionel of this. Ashley gives the cheque for \$5,000. Lionel and Derek go off to Southampton, ostensibly for Africa, but really to Folkestone to find Jean Delaval.

Unfortunately, when Derek calls on Cresswick to find out how he would like to run the business, Cresswick is instantly suspicious, and stops the cheque. Derek calls on him and asks for an explanation.

While he is asking for an explanation, Schroder arrives and demands to see Fay Cresswick. She makes an appointment for the next day. Cresswick follows her, and sees her run into Lionel, though this is quite by accident. They go back to their home, and Ashley, who has been accusing Lionel of having clandestine meetings with his wife.

In the middle of all Ashley's confidential clerk, Paker, arrives.

LIONEL'S PERPLEXITY.

ALTHOUGH Mr. Paker entered with one of his most stately bows, it was quite easy to discern on his face an expression of considerable anxiety. This, chiefly the result of the news he had come to impart, was not lessened by the atmosphere of tragedy which seemed to surround him as soon as the door was shut.

Ashley, standing rigidly in the middle of the room, regarded him with a grin of fendish satisfaction, while Fay, who had started to her feet when his name was announced, threw herself suddenly back in her chair with closed eyes.

Lionel was the only one of the party who seemed at all master of himself, and even on his brow there was a thundercloud of gloom.

This remarkable greening appeared to depress Mr. Paker profoundly, and he looked from one to the other with something like consternation on his face.

"Good evening, sir," he stammered uneasily. "Good evening, Paker," replied Ashley in a rasping voice. "You are interrupting rather an important meeting, but I asked you in to inquire if it was you who called here an hour ago!"

Mr. Paker shook his head in perplexity. "No, sir," he replied. "I have just come straight from the City."

Thank you. That's all I wanted to know. You can go now, Paker."

"But," if you will excuse me, sir, I wanted a word with Mrs. Cresswick."

"I've no doubt; but you can't have it now."

Fay stirred languidly in her chair and turned

her head towards the clerk. "What is it, Paker?" she asked wearily. "You can speak out."

Mr. Paker cleared his throat. "It is about that little matter, madam. A gentleman came to see me not half an hour ago."

He turned to Ashley almost apologetically. "I was working late at the office, you will recollect, sir, over that inventory of Robert Delaval's."

"Yes, yes," snapped Ashley angrily, "but we can't go into that now."

Who called?"

"I beg your pardon, sir," he said.

"Go on!" exclaimed Ashley, "and get it over. We have more important things to discuss."

Mr. Trench, sir; the gentleman who came to see you yesterday. From what he let drop, I thought it advisable to incur the expense of a cab straight here."

"Well, then," replied Cresswick, "since you have so much money to throw away, you can take a cab straight back again."

I'm sorry, sir," said Mr. Paker haltingly. He looked over helplessly at Fay, throwing out unmistakable signs that the matter he had come about was really of supreme importance.

Ashley was visibly losing his temper. "Did you tell me that?" he cried fiercely. "I'll talk to you on Monday."

Mr. Paker gave another little bow and prepared to go.

Stop!" cried Lionel.

He looked inquiringly, but Ashley put his hand on his shoulder and thrust him towards the door.

"You heard what I told you," he said. "You take your orders from me."

A new division arose—this time from Fay. "Wait a minute, Paker," she said. "I will come out and see you privately."

Ashley wheeled round, almost choking with wrath. "You'll stop where you are!" he cried savagely.

Fay stood stock still, and drawing herself up to her full height, surveyed him with an expression of indescribable rage. In that one moment she had thrown off her weakness as a man might throw off his coat to fight, and there was the hard, bright glint in her eyes of one at bay.

"You forget yourself, don't you?" she said tensely, and with head erect she walked across to the door, indicating with an imperious gesture that Paker should open it.

Ashley bit his thumb with chagrin as she passed, and heaved a sigh of relief.

He was not only cowed, but he showed it very clearly. Such courage as he had exhibited, and such rebellion against the woman who held him in subjection, were but the fruits of her unaccustomed weakness and lassitude. The moment she had, by a supreme effort, reassured herself he was crushed.

Lionel had been watching the scene in sheer perplexity. A heavy frown between his eyes and a quick, observant glance he threw from one to the other of the actors in this mysterious drama showed how hard he was thinking.

If he had only had Derek Trench's knowledge of the part Paker had played in the plot to get him out of the country he would have been clearer, and more light still would have been thrown on the puzzle if he had been aware of the lie which Fay had told Ashley as to the identity of the man who called.

But he had not yet been able to see Derek, and he knew nothing of the discoveries which the shrewd cotton-planter had succeeded in making.

He might, indeed, have seen Paker when he called at his brother's office, but he was the least observant of men, and if he had ever set eyes on him he failed to recognise him now.

Nor beyond the fact that he gathered from the words the man had dropped that he was a clerk in Ashley's office did he know who or what he was.

Yet this complete stranger—this insignificant, commonplace little Cockney clerk, with his close-set eyes, his fatuous grin and his abject servility—launched thus suddenly into the very middle of their altercation, had mentioned two names of the utmost moment—the names of Robert Delaval and Derek Trench.

Nor could he comprehend his brother's attitude. It was Ashley who had insisted on the man being dragged so irrelevantly into the discussion, yet it was Ashley who was palpably wishing to get rid of him the moment he was there.

Fay, on the other hand, who had shown panic when the name of Paker was announced, and seemed to recover courage by his presence and had gone out with him with all her old spirit.

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It seemed a hopeless tangle, which he could see no way to unravel until he had had a talk with the clerk. Meaning, all he could do was to keep his mind resolutely fixed on the matter in hand—to sweep away all these side issues and to devote himself to the sole object of saving Jean Delaval.

ASHLEY SMILES.

ASHLEY'S behaviour after his wife swept out of the room in such a torrent of disdainful anger was typical of the man. In this stern, critical eyes of the brother who watched him so contemptuously he seemed to shrivel up into the sneak he was.

Lionel watched him, indeed, with the look in his eyes—compounded partly of aversion and partly of horror—with which one sees some ghastly transformation.

In his normal times Ashley cloaked his little avicious soul with a garment of affability and good nature, and had possessed what is usually known as "presence," partly the result of his consciousness of wealth and power, and partly arising from his accurate knowledge of mankind and his experience that these qualities are valuable assets to a man of business.

But now that they had fallen away from him he appeared another man.

He had been coming slowly and irresistibly to the conclusion that he had been acting like a jealous idiot. However cleverly he argued the matter to himself, he could not believe in his own mind that a guilty man could hold such a moral ascendancy over him as Lionel was doing at that moment.

Fay had a secret from him, doubtless, and he would find it out in time, but it was clearly not connected in any way with his younger brother.

He was beginning to feel unusually uneasy under Lionel's steady gaze and his grim, significant silence. Besides, the emotions through which he had passed in that brief brainstorm had left him weak and trembling, with his knees knocking together and his hands shaking visibly.

Drink was not one of Ashley's vices, and he seldom resorted to it, but he now turned his back on his brother and, the tankard and poured himself out half a tumblerful of neat brandy.

The stopper clinked suspiciously against the decanter as he replaced it, and he spilled some of the liquor when he heard himself suddenly called by name.

"Ashley!"

Cresswick half-turned, with the glass in his hand, and said "Well, he said, "Lionel commanded. "Surely to goodness, man, you can summon up enough pluck to have this matter out with me without filling yourself up with brandy!"

Ashley seemed to take no notice, but turning his back again drained off the glass. In ordinary times the strength of the draught he had taken would have intoxicated him, so unaccustomed was he to stimulants; but now the spirit seemed hardly to warm him. Nevertheless, it had the effect of stopping the shaking of his hands, and this gave him a semblance of courage. At all events, it made him feel not quite so much of a coward.

He threw himself in a chair and took a cigar from his case deliberately, snipping off the end with his cutters. He was not a good actor, and he showed it in the way he looked at himself and at the cigar. He waited with perfect calm till Ashley had struck a match and lighted the cigar. Indeed, it was Cresswick who spoke first.

"Is there anything to discuss?" he asked with an affectation of contempt.

"That's rather a curious question, coming from you," Lionel replied. "You burst in here with a preposterous allegation against me and Fay, and you ask me if there's anything to discuss! Not," he went on, getting no reply, "that I have anything more to say about that—have told you my own version of the matter; if you're still under your ridiculous illusion you must fight it out with your wife. I have come to talk to you about the Delavals."

It takes two to make a conversation," retorted Ashley. "If I refuse to talk, what can you do?"

"Oh, I admit I can't make you talk; but you must admit also that you can't stop me from saying what I have got to say. Are you going to insist upon ruining that man?"

"I don't see why I should discuss that. The man was ruined when he came to me, and I helped him out of a desperate mess."

"Yes," said Lionel, "I expected that you would be your side of the question, but, unfortunately for you, I have heard the other."

"And what have you heard?"

Ashley braced himself up with averted eyes for what would come next. He felt that the blow so long threatened was about to fall at last.

"I have heard," continued Lionel, "that after the manner of your kind—I am disgusted to think that the same blood runs in our veins—you have been back at least half the money you advanced, in two or three years, and are insisting on the full amount of the loan."

Ashley looked up with a sudden spurt of interest. "And what else?" he asked.

"Great Scott, man! Isn't that enough? Isn't that scandalous? Do you know what you're doing? Do you know that to pay off that debt to yourself the woman love is selling herself?"

"The woman who has hated me and who you think I can stand idly by and see such an iniquity perpetrated, without lifting a finger? You are my brother," he went on bitterly; "the

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"Toilet Club Notes."

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Why Have Grey Hair?

When a simple, old-fashioned and harmless recipe will correct it.

Few people know that grey hair is not a necessary feature of age—that it can be avoided without resorting to hair dyes. A very old, home-made remedy will turn the hair back to its natural colour in a few days. It is only necessary to get from the chemist an ounce of concentrate of tannin and mix it with four ounces of bay rum. Apply this simple lotion to the hair for a few nights with a small sponge and you will soon have the pleasure of seeing the greyness disappear. This recipe is perfectly harmless, is neither sticky nor greasy, and has given perfect satisfaction for many generations to those in possession of the secret.

A Strange Shampoo.

"Cosy Corner Chats."

*** I was much interested to learn from this young woman, with the beautiful glossy hair that she never washes it with soap or artificial shampoo powders. Instead she makes her own shampoo by dissolving a teaspoonful of salicylic acid in a cup of hot water; make my chemist get the salicylic acid," she said. "It comes only in 1/2 lb. sealed packages, enough to make up twenty-five or thirty individual shampoos, and it smells so good I could almost eat it." The lady's hair, she said, did look wonderful even if she has strange ideas of a shampoo. I am tempted to try the plan myself.

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THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP



Lord Ronaldshay.

should not come as a novelty. He has made many adventurous journeys in Asia in recent years. One of the narrowest escapes of which he tells occurred in the Himalayas, where he was big game hunting in high altitudes.

Missed by a Few Hours.

For three weeks he and his party were weather bound by snowstorms at a height of 14,000 odd feet. Plodding through the snow drifts one day they came upon signs of a camp. Further investigation showed that another party of Europeans had been in the neighbourhood, and had been overwhelmed with an avalanche—a fate which Lord Ronaldshay and his party escaped by a few hours.

A War Wager.

In a certain London club they keep a betting book, and all the bets made by the members are entered. A little time ago two members wagered each other as to the duration of the war. Both members are positive that they know when the war is going to end. That is why I should like to peep into that betting book, because Mr. Winston Churchill is one of those two members.

Practice Makes Perfect.

All this I heard over lunch yesterday, when everybody seemed to think that Winston's last speech in the House was one of his greatest successes. When I first heard the First Lord of the Admiralty talk in public—it was all about the wickedness of the Liberals and the goodness of the Tories in those days—his delivery was so laboured as to be almost painful. Now it is practically perfect.

Necessities and Luxuries.

If you walk down the Strand in these days, as I did after lunch yesterday, just have a look at the shops. They are all war shops. They all offer goods for the front. I passed in succession yesterday a tailor's, a bootshop, a haberdasher's, a tobacconist's and a chemist's, all displaying something which was absolutely necessary for the men in the trenches. I wonder how many "Tommy's" have been killed with kindness.

The Barrie Revue.

Everything is being kept wonderfully quiet about Sir James Barrie's revue for Gaby Deslys, to be produced at the Duke of York's Theatre. Sir James has written the whole place into a state secret. Everybody, down to the call boy's grandmother, has been placed under a seal of silence.

Films and Tongue-Twisters.

Still, a little bird has been twittering over two bits of news. First of all, Mr. Jack Norworth, of "Sister Susie" fame, is to sing a new telephone song in Sir James Barrie's production. It is a dreadful tongue-twister. Gaby has a wonderful waltz song. As for the famous film, in which all sorts of famous people were cinematographed after a Savoy supper, it has been replaced by new films taken last week.

Not Quite the Same.

Bad writing is responsible for a lot of blunders. A relative of mine, for instance, was much perturbed the other day on receiving a wire from her son—a notoriously bad writer—which read: "Coming home tonight, intoxicated." She made what arrangements she could for this unexpected arrival, and was immensely relieved when her son arrived his usual happy self, but—inoculated.

Mme. Pavlova's Swans.

Dainty Anna Pavlova will be in distress. One of her tame swans, which she keeps in the garden of her house at Hampstead, flew away nearly a fortnight ago—and never came back. Mme. Pavlova is in America at the moment, and her secretary, who writes to me, says that she knows the news will cause the famous dancer the keenest regret. So if any of you have seen a homeless swan in the neighbourhood of North London you will know to whom it belongs.

A World Apart.

The scientific mind is wonderfully self-contained. It doesn't trouble "that" about wars and such things. It simply sticks to its own precious pursuits. Yesterday was "Der Tag," the day of the blockade. Did the scientific and learned men of England worry? Not a bit.

What Happened on "Der Tag."

This is how some of them spent their time. At the Royal Numismatic Society they discussed "The Irish Coinage of Henry VIII." At Bedford somebody discussed "The Colours of Minerals." Also the Institution of Petroleum Technologists held a meeting. So did the Linnean Society. So did the Chemical Society. Also there was in London a lecture on "Plato and Dante," another on "Rembrandt," and another on "Fresh Water Algae." Who says Germany has all the culture? Still, these things don't sound like a real blockade.

Mr. Asche's Bad Luck.

When I think of all the luxury and attention lavished on a courting greyhound, I can sympathise with Mr. Oscar Asche in his bad luck with his dog Once Australia in the Waterloo Cup on Wednesday. The famous actor only joined the ranks of courting greyhound owners last year on his return from Australia, when he brought back with him several prize-winning dogs.

New-laid Eggs for Dogs.

And what a "doggering" these animals required on their long journey! Two men actually travelled all the way from Australia to look after them on the ship and in England. Their training diet was positively luxurious, for at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily the appetites of these greyhounds were tempted with stewed rump steak over which raw new-laid eggs had been broken. But these delicacies do not seem so much out of place when you realise that Mr. Asche refused an offer of £500 for one of his canine gourmets.

First Variety Show.

Mention of Mr. Asche reminds me that he and Miss Lily Brayton are making their first appearance on the variety stage on Monday next. This will be at the Palace, when they



Miss Lily Brayton.

will appear in the new sketch called "Hadji," by Mr. Edward Knoblauch, the author of "Kismet," the play that brought author and producer alike a nice little fortune.

The German Argument.

There was a German poet, Dr. Hans Heinz Ewers, who once wrote of America: "This country is the only one in the world which seems to me the paradise of woman. Americans think it almost the act of a barbarian for a man to stand up and publicly argue with a woman." This quotation headed an article I read in an American paper yesterday, which told how an audience of 300 men and women baited Miss Gertrude Kingston when she was speaking at a New York theatre a couple of weeks ago.

Two Points of View.

"About 300 men and women, most of them German Americans, directly, conclusively and emphatically disproved these words," the article continues, and then goes on to say exactly what it thinks about German methods. My friends who have been in the States recently tell me that this sort of thing goes on all the time. Every war meeting is packed with Germans, who proceed forthwith to hoot and boo all English speakers. And they think it does their cause good. America doesn't think.

"Jobbed Dessert."

I was let into a secret yesterday. Perhaps it is not a secret to you who rule big households and give big dinner parties. To me it came as a surprise. I was told about "jobbed" dessert. Nearly every hostess "jobs" her dessert nowadays. Those beautiful pyramids of fruit that adorn the dinner table are only hired, or rather secured on the sale or return principle.

The Veterans.

Now I understand why some of my hostesses have always dressed their tables with fruit which seemed to me totally disproportionate to the apparent household income. The luscious pineapples and the rest of the tempting fruit were only there in case somebody wanted it. What was not eaten was packed up and returned to the fruiterer next day. The idea is a good one. But somehow the idea that a peach that has been through half a dozen dinner parties may be my lot to-morrow or next week is not so attractive.

Cut Down That Menu.

I will say one thing for the German—he can stand being drilled and ordered about. The latest order to Germans is that they must cut down their menu. Of course, it would be unreasonable to expect the German as an individual to resist a square meal, so the order is being given to proprietors of restaurants and eating-houses. By way of experiment a trial week is to be held in some of the smaller Rhine towns, beginning with Monday.

Maximum Meals.

It will be a startling innovation for caterers, for each restaurant, from the dearest to the cheapest, will have exactly the same menu. A sort of "maximum meal." The menu is to consist of soup, meat or fish, two vegetables, cheese or fruit. No pastry or pudding will be allowed, and any restaurateur giving away bread to his clients will be liable to a heavy fine. A report is to be drawn up for the benefit of the Government as to the working of the scheme.

Princess Victor.

Even though she has been married for more than four years many people do not recognise in Princess Victor Napoleon, who presided at Mlle. Bierné's lecture at the French Institute yesterday, the Princess Clementine of Belgium, daughter of the late King Leopold. Her marriage in 1910 was hailed as a royal romance that ended happily, for the wedding had been long delayed owing to the opposition of King Leopold.

Princess Victor Napoleon.

Played the Good Fairy.

The Princess has been a frequent visitor to England. She has been a regular visitor of the Empress Eugenie at Farnborough. Since the war she has been working hard among the refugees from her native land in London. She was the "Fairy Princess" of the Belgian children's Christmas party in December, when she romped with the babies and gave them toys and tea.

Related to King George.

Prince Victor Napoleon is the accepted head of the Bonapartist party in France. Perhaps I should say he was the head, for I doubt if there are any parties in France just now—except the French. Both the Prince and Princess are related to King George, the Prince somewhat distantly through Princess Augusta, niece of George II. The Princess is a granddaughter of Queen Victoria's uncle, the "dear Uncle Leopold" of her diaries and early letters.

Our Football Communique.

More football progress. We have passed the 1,800 mark. Our total to-day stands at 1,810, and the end of that second thousand is now in view. Despite "Tommy's" severe counter-attacks and the positions he still holds in our lines, I am hopeful of regaining all our positions shortly and routing the applicants thoroughly. THE RAMBLER.

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Mother, Don't Hesitate! If Your Child is Cross, Feverish, Constipated, Give "California Syrup of Figs."

Look at your child's tongue, mother! It coated, it is a sure sign that the little one's stomach, liver and bowels need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

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WOULD PREVENT STOMACH TROUBLE.

Specialist Explains How It Can Be Done

That ninety per cent. of all stomach trouble, including indigestion and dyspepsia, are both preventable and curable is the opinion of a specialist whose common-sense articles about stomach troubles have been translated into many languages. "My discovery," he says, "is much like that of the old gentleman who, after searching for hours for his spectacles, found them on his forehead. Everyone has known for years that ninety per cent. of stomach troubles are traceable to excessive acidity. Instead of following the old idea of using a stomach pump or drugging the stomach, I conceived the common-sense idea of neutralising the acid and stopping the fermentation by using a little ordinary bisaturated magnesia, such as can be obtained from chemists anywhere. Half a teaspoonful of bisaturated magnesia in a little water immediately after eating, or whenever pain is felt, does wonders by instantly neutralising the acid, stopping the fermentation and making the food contents of the stomach bland and harmless. People who have suffered torments for years frequently find their trouble has entirely disappeared after a few days; simply because the stomach that has been inflamed and unnaturally distended has at last been given a chance to heal itself. If you have stomach trouble of any kind the chances are ten to one that this simple plan will give you immediate relief. Try it and see if I'm not right."

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Just Like Other Men

(Continued from page 9.)

money at stake is a drop in the ocean to the wealth you possess.

"Stop a minute," said Ashley, and for the first time he looked his brother straight in the eyes. "Did Robert Delaval tell you anything else?"

"I have never seen Robert Delaval," replied Lionel. "The old man is dying, and can see no one. What else was there to tell me?"

"Oh, nothing," replied Ashley. An uncontrollable smile came over his lips as he realised that, after all, Lionel knew nothing.

He had it on the tip of his tongue to tell him as he had told Jean in their first interview that he had been threatened, but the thought that Lionel would want to know what he was threatened and that an explanation would be difficult, stopped him.

"Well, what do you want me to do?" he asked.

"Release them. Let me go back and tell her that the debt is wiped out. Put the money against my account; I'll pay it back some time."

Ashley thought it over in silence for a moment. "It is rather a preposterous demand," he said. "Why should I be swindled because you are in love?"

"You won't be swindled. Your money shall be repaid as long as I have two hands to work for. Can I go back and tell her it's all right?"

"I will think it over," said Ashley.

The generosity of Lionel's nature asserted itself. In the hope of success he forgot all that had passed. He held out his hand.

"Thanks, old man," he said with emotion. "I knew you wouldn't be black as you were painted."

He left the house in a turmoil of excitement, and, hailing a cab, drove off at once to Derek's hotel. This time his quest was successful.

"Mr. Trench has just come in," said the porter. "If you will give me your name, I will go up and tell him."

There will be another long instalment to-morrow.

BOOMERANG BATTLESHIP.

Among the new inventions mentioned at the annual meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association yesterday by Mr. John McEwan, chairman, was a sheathing of rubber for battleships from which the enemy's shot and shell would rebound and, like an Australian boomerang, return whence they came.

Referring to the sinking of the Troilus by the Emden with 1,200 tons of rubber, Mr. McEwan said the result was to send up the market more than sufficiently to cover all their financial losses.

In a Southern Charity Cup-tie yesterday at Coventry Luton beat Coventry City by 6 goals to 1.

A football match between Corinthians under arms and the Aldershot Command will be played at Queen's Club on February 27 in aid of the Aldershot Consolidated Military Charities.

In consequence of the military authorities, the local Stewards here, with the sanction of the Stewards of the Jockey Club, abiding in the Newcastle Spring Meeting arranged for April 5 and 6.

At the Blackfriars Ring last night Jim Frendy, of Islington, beat Sapper, a most interesting encounter, in which clean head hitting by both men was a prominent feature. The contest went the twenty rounds, and the West London Stadium Jim Berry beat Johnny Best in four rounds.

In the Fighting Line a novel use for Cherry Yellow Dabbin has been discovered. Applied to their feet—as well as on the boots—of the fed "H.C." Made by the makers of Cherry Blossom Boot Polish. (Advt.)

LONDON AMUSEMENTS.

AMBASSADORS—Miles Delys, Hanako, Sim, Carroll, Balfour, Mores, Playful, Morton, Harry Gratton, Revue, "ODDS AND ENDS," at 9. Preceded by Hanako in "Odds," at 8.30. Mats., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30.

APOLLO—Evening, 8.30. Mr. CHARLES HAWTREY presents A BUSY DAY, by R. G. Carton.

At 8. Chas. Cory.

COMEDY. ARE YOU A MASON? TO-NIGHT, at 9. Mats., Weds. and SATS., at 2.30.

Preceded, at 8.30, by Mr. GEORGE EDWARDS.

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HAYMARKET. At 8.30. THE FLAG LIEUTENANT.

ALLAN AYNSWORTH, ELLIS JEFFREYS, GODFREY TEARLE. Mats., Weds., Thurs., and SATS., at 8.30.

HIS MAJESTY'S. DAVID COPPERFIELD.

Evenings, at 8. Mats., Weds. and SATS., at 2.

Extra Matinee, Thursday next, Feb.

HERBERT TREE. EVELYN MILLARD.

KINGSWAY. At 8.30.

PENA ASHVELL HENRY AINLEY. Mats., Weds., SATS., 2.30.

ROYALTY. THE MAN WHO STAYED AT HOME.

TO-NIGHT, at 8.30. Mats., Weds., SATS., at 2.30.

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A New Play, by Rudon, Reider.

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NEWS ITEMS.

Beer Gardens' Dearer "Fruit."

The price of beer and gas is to be raised in Berlin, says the Central News.

German Artillery General Dead.

Major-General von Flotow, director of the artillery works at Charlottenburg, says Reuter, was yesterday reported to be dead.

Military Funeral for Bluecher's Captain.

Alexander Karl Erdmann, captain of the German ship Bluecher, who died in Edinburgh Castle, was buried yesterday with military honours.

Damages—A Farthing.

A farthing damages was awarded in Mr. Justice Lush's Court yesterday to Mr. Victor Bridgman, of West Ealing, who sued Mr. Alan H. Burgoyne, M.P., for libel.

To Aboukir Survivors.

Will any survivor of H.M.S. Aboukir give Mrs. C. M. Connell, of 43, New-road, Lewes, information of her husband, Gunner H. Connell. Did he send her any last message?

More Pay for Dock Labourers.

Permanent labourers in the Port of London docks and warehouse departments are from Monday next to have a 3s. per week war bonus, and extra labourers will get 6d. a day above their present wage.

Officer Killed in Motor-Cycle Smash.

While motor-cycling between Cambridge and Newmarket yesterday Second-Lieutenant J. Waterton, of F Company, 2nd Battalion Bedford Reserve Regiment, ran into a motor-car and died from injuries received.

Boy's Buried Gold.

That £19 was found in his pocket and the remainder buried in a hole on Plumstead Common was stated at the London Sessions yesterday, when Sidney Guyte, fifteen, was bound over on a charge of stealing £120 from his father's cash-box.

WATERLOO CUP COURSING

There was only one surprise in the Waterloo Cup at Ailcester yesterday, but it was an important one, for the favourite, Jawleyford, was beaten in the third round by Bulderdash, which, despite a slow start, was a good winner when the favourite killed.

The only other favourite to be beaten during the afternoon was Sengstree, who met one much too good for her in Happy Challenge in the third round.

J. J. H. Bibby's nomination, Junco, won a long course in the third round and he was so distressed that he was withdrawn, giving Nip Near a walk-over into the semi-final.

Sir Thomas Dewar's greyhound, Winning Number, won both his courses very easily. The following is the draw for the semi-finals.

Mr. M. G. Hale's HAPPY CHALLENGE v. Major G. Noble's NIP NEAR.

Sir T. Dewar's WINNING NUMBER v. Mr. C. Brown's HATFIELD.

MIDNIGHT BETTING.

LONG ODDS.—1,000 to 55 agst Happy Challenge, 4 to 1 Nip Near, 11 to 10 agst Winning Number, 3 to 1 agst Hatfield.

SELECTIONS FOR KEMPTON PARK.

After a couple of blank days caused through the Ling-feld Park course being under water, steeple-chasing will be resumed to-day at Kempton. A splendid programme has been arranged and some excellent racing is promised. Selections are as follows:—

1.45—Shepperton Steeplechase—BRIDGE IV.

2.15—Ashford Hurdle—ROYAL COLLAR.

2.45—Frial Steeplechase—THE HARE.

3.15—Rushdenham Hurdle—KATANGA.

3.45—Middlesex Steeplechase—DRINKAUGH.

4.15—Thames Hurdle—DESMOND'S SONG.

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2/-—SEED Collection.—2s.—Superlative Collection of

Seeds.—1st Smith's "Early Bird" Pea, 1st "Bird

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Beans, 1st Kidney Beans, 1st etc. each following.—Smith's

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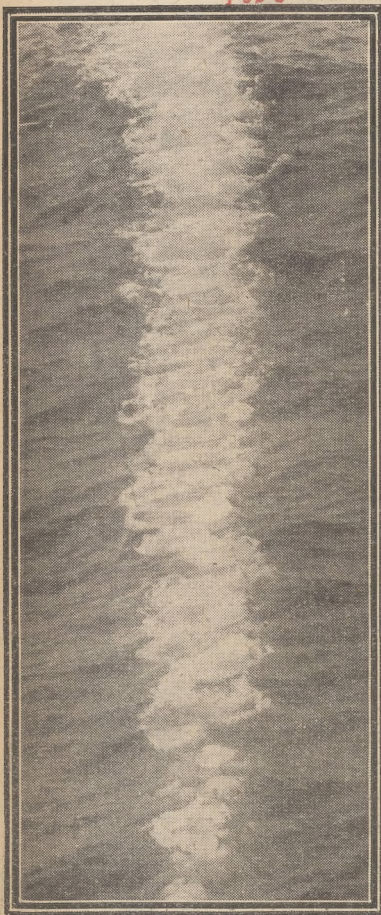
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PIRATE DAY: BUT THE STURDY BRITISH MOTTO IS STILL "BUSINESS AS USUAL."

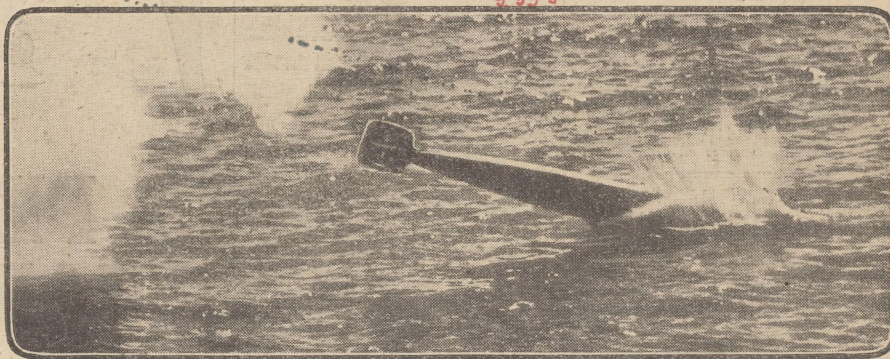


The wake that follows the course of a torpedo.

The German pirates have begun their war against the shipping of the world. They have made the most impudent declarations, and America has been curtly told to send convoys with her merchantmen if she wishes them to be safe. All this points



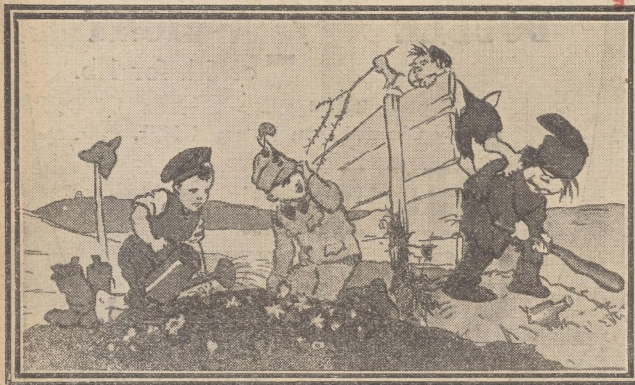
Sailors on the lookout for possible danger. They can detect what a landsman cannot.



A torpedo entering the water. In a submarine, of course, a torpedo is fired under the water.

to the fact that Germany has been made to feel the power of our Navy very keenly. Everything else having failed, she has been driven to rely on her submarines as a last resort. These do not even attempt to fight fairly.

HOW GERMANY IS TEACHING THE CULT OF HATRED TO ITS CHILDREN THROUGHOUT THE EMPIRE.



Nick and Serby annoy Hans and Franz, who are "peaceful" boys.

So blind with mad fury and impotent rage are the Germans that even their picture-books for little children are filled with lying and scurrilous matter about the Allies. Nothing is too ridiculous for them to print. The sowing of this sort of seed is worse



The German boys, of course, win, and the Allies are securely caged.

than the mythical sowing of the Dragon's Teeth. The whole of Germany seems completely to have lost its head. Babies probably will come to be taught the Hymn of Hate against Great Britain as soon as they can speak.